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DONOVAN ASSAILS JAVITS OVER CUBA

Decries Criticism of Policy
as 'Dangerous Talk'

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James B. Donovan, the Democratic candidate for Senator from New York, accused Senator Jacob K. Javits, his Republican opponent, yesterday of "dangerous talk" on the Cuban situation.

In a television interview, Mr. Donovan, who has been negotiating for the release of prisoners taken in the unsuccessful Cuban invasion last year, was asked how he would characterize suggestions Mr. Javits had made about the use of force by the United States against the Castro regime.

Mr. Javits has said several steps should be taken against Cuba before "a resort to the final powerful and dangerous medicine" of unilateral United States action. He has proposed an emergency meeting of the Organization of American States, the establishment of a Central American and Caribbean defense organization and action through the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to end arms shipments to Cuba.

Defends Kennedy Policy

"I think that this kind of talk is dangerous talk," Mr. Donovan said. He assailed Mr. Javits for criticizing President Kennedy's policy toward Cuba. "The whole of Latin America is involved, and I think that President Kennedy has shown admirable restraint," Mr. Donovan said.

"These are very trying times and we are all inclined to make these statements about sending in marines, but this is a complication of the thing that could prevent a general day of collateral holocaust," Mr. Donovan said. He was not campaigning since his nomination. Mr. Donovan appeared on WGBS-TV at a luncheon at the Americana hotel, toured the Long Island Fair at Westbury and spoke at gatherings in Queens and Manhattan.

Mr. Donovan said his effort to arrange the release of the



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James B. Donovan replies to question at TV interview.

prisoners in Cuba was "a basic commitment that has to take precedence over any political considerations and it was with that understanding that I accepted nomination for the United States Senate." He explained this was so because "it involves human lives."

No Cash Involved

He said no cash, only foods, medicines and materials were involved in the negotiations. He also told reporters that he was receiving no fee for his work as negotiator.

If the release of the prisoners could be achieved "on honorable terms," he said, "this could be a first step toward something that could prevent a general day of collateral holocaust."

Mr. Donovan said he was not concerned that he had only three weeks left to campaign. He explained that he believed television appearances were better than shaking hands in supermarkets and that the voters were sick of daily statements from candidates "on some tired issue or other."

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